

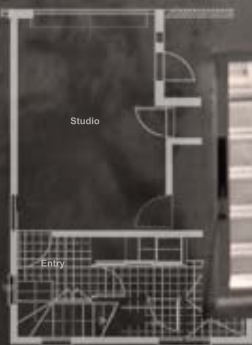
Studio 197

Studio 197 occupies a sliver of land at the rear of a 400m² lot facing Cairns Esplanade. The building provides both a generous work space at ground level as well as a studio apartment over, all within a tight footprint.

The project provides an alternative form of urban density in a tropical city dominated by bulky walk up units and highrise. It is a defiantly urban building; tough concrete walls to the street with a lighter tropical upper storey of corrugated steel cladding. A large overhanging roof provides shelter and casement and louvre windows catch cooling breezes. Its small footprint allows breezes to circulate and its scale is sympathetic with its context and neighbours.



Plan - Upper



Plan - Lower

Project Information

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